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NUMBER: 03-1-0770 -X

SUBSYSTEM NAME: MAIN PROPULSION

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PART DATA

PART NAME PART NUMBER **VENDOR NAME VENDOR NUMBER**

:LH2 4" RECIRC RTN DISC SPHERICAL V070-415262-005 LRU

> BEARING BOEING

EXTENDED DESCRIPTION OF PART UNDER ANALYSIS:

BEARING, SPHERICAL, LH2 RECIRCULATION RETURN SYSTEM 4 INCH DISCONNECT, INTERFACE CLAMPING

REFERENCE DESIGNATORS:

QUANTITY OF LIKE ITEMS: 1

FUNCTION:

BEARING INTERFACE PROVIDES ALIGNMENT OF THE ET/ORBITER DISCONNECT HALVES WHEN MATED TO INSURE PROPER DISTRIBUTION OF THE CLAMPING FORCE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN DISCONNECT IN MATED CONFIGURATION DURING ASCENT.

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LRU: LH2 4" RECIRC RTN DISC SPHERICAL BEARING
ITEM NAME: LH2 4" RECIRC RTN DISC SPHERICAL BEARING
FAILURE MODE: 1/1

FAILURE MODE:

FAILURE TO ALLOW AND MAINTAIN PROPER ALIGNMENT OF RECIRCULATION RETURN DISCONNECT

MISSION PHASE: PL PRE-LAUNCH

LO LIFT-OFF

VEHICLE/PAYLOAD/KIT EFFECTIVITY: 102 COLUMBIA

103 DISCOVERY104 ATLANTIS105 ENDEAVOUR

CAUSE:

PIECE PART STRUCTURAL FAILURE, BINDING

CRITICALITY 1/1 DURING INTACT ABORT ONLY? NO

REDUNDANCY SCREEN A) N/A

B) N/A

C) N/A

PASS/FAIL RATIONALE:

A)

B)

C)

- FAILURE EFFECTS -

(A) SUBSYSTEM:

STRUCTURE FAILURE/BINDING OF THE BEARING WILL RESULT IN LH2 LEAKAGE INTO THE UMBILICAL CAVITY. MAJOR PORTION OF THE LH2/GH2 WILL ENTER THE AFT COMPARTMENT CAUSING POSSIBLE AFT COMPARTMENT OVERPRESSURIZATION AND FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD. LH2/GH2 LEAKAGE EXTERNAL TO THE UMBILICAL MAY CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE VEHICLE AND A FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD. POSSIBLE LOSS OF CRITICAL ADJACENT

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COMPONENTS DUE TO CRYOGENIC EXPOSURE. LEAKAGE IS DETECTABLE DURING PROPELLANT LOADING BY HAZARD GAS DETECTION SYSTEM (HGDS).

SECONDARY SEAL IS NOT CONSIDERED REDUNDANT SINCE IT IS NOT DESIGNED TO SERVE AS A BACKUP TO THE PRIMARY SEAL. SECONDARY SEAL WILL PREVENT EXCESSIVE LEAKAGE.

(B) INTERFACING SUBSYSTEM(S):

SAME AS A.

(C) MISSION:

ON THE GROUND, VIOLATION OF THE HGDS LCC WILL RESULT IN LAUNCH SCRUB.

(D) CREW, VEHICLE, AND ELEMENT(S):

POSSIBLE LOSS OF CREW/VEHICLE.

(E) FUNCTIONAL CRITICALITY EFFECTS:

NONE.

-DISPOSITION RATIONALE-

(A) DESIGN:

THE BEARING IS FABRICATED FROM EPOXY IMPREGNATED GLASS FABRIC, THREE PADS MANUFACTURED FROM EPOXY GLASS RODS THAT CONTAIN ROSAN INSERTS. THE SPHERICAL SURFACE IS COATED WITH A DRY FILM LUBRICANT.

STRUCTURAL FAILURE OR BINDING WOULD PREVENT THE DISCONNECT FROM ALIGNING PROPERLY AND WOULD CAUSE AN UNEVEN DISTRIBUTION OF THE CLAMPING FORCE RESULTING IN LH2 LEAKING PAST THE INTERFACE SEAL.

THE BEARING IS DESIGNED TO A YIELD LOAD FACTOR OF SAFETY OF 1.0 AND AN ULTIMATE LOAD FACTOR OF SAFETY OF 1.4. STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS INDICATES POSITIVE MARGINS OF SAFETY FOR ALL CONDITIONS OF OPERATIONS.

(B) TEST:

ATP

EXAMINATION OF PRODUCT

CERTIFICATION

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THE BELLEVILLE ASSEMBLY, INCLUDING THE BEARINGS, WERE CERTIFIED WITH THE PRODUCTION LH2 UMBILICAL ASSEMBLY, EACH CONTAINING INTERFACE LOADING CAPABILITY. THE UMBILICAL ASSEMBLIES WERE SUBJECTED TO THE FOLLOWING SERIES OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND STRUCTURAL TESTS:

UMBILICAL SEPARATION TESTS

28 CYCLES:

AMBIENT AND LH2 TEMPERATURES (-423 DEG F)
MAXIMUM OPERATING PRESSURES: 37 PSIG
EXTERNAL LOAD CONDITIONS

UMBILICAL VIBRATION TESTS

RANDOM VIBRATION

4.4 HOURS IN EACH OF THREE AXES

STATIC LOAD TEST

ULTIMATE LOAD TEST

GROUND TURNAROUND TEST

ANY TURNAROUND CHECKOUT IS ACCOMPLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMRSD.

(C) INSPECTION:

RECEIVING INSPECTION

INCOMING MATERIAL IS VERIFIED FOR MATERIAL AND PROCESS CERTIFICATION.

CONTAMINATION CONTROL

GENERAL CLEAN CONDITION IS MAINTAINED AND VERIFIED BY INSPECTION.

ASSEMBLY/INSTALLATION

MACHINED PARTS ARE VISUALLY INSPECTED TO MEETING TOLERANCE REQUIREMENT. LAMINATION AND FABRICATION OF PARTS ARE INSPECTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH DRAWING REQUIREMENTS. MANDATORY INSPECTION POINTS ARE INCLUDED IN THE MANUFACTURING PROCESS.

CRITICAL PROCESSES

DRY FILM LUBRICANT APPLIED ON SPHERICAL SURFACE IS VERIFIED BY INSPECTION. BONDING OF PARTS ARE CHECKED AND VERIFIED BY INSPECTION.

NONDESTRUCTIVE EVALUATION

N/A

TESTING

ATP FOR LONGITUDINAL FLEXURAL STRENGTH AND ELEVATED TEMPERATURE FLEXURAL STRENGTH IS VERIFIED BY INSPECTION.

HANDLING/PACKAGING

HANDLING, PACKAGING, STORAGE, AND SHIPPING REQUIREMENTS ARE VERIFIED BY INSPECTION.

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(D) FAILURE HISTORY:

CURRENT DATA ON TEST FAILURE, FLIGHT FAILURE, UNEXPLAINED ANOMALIES, AND OTHER FAILURES EXPERIENCED DURING GROUND PROCESSING ACTIVITY CAN BE FOUND IN THE PRACA DATABASE.

(E) OPERATIONAL USE:

FLIGHT:

NO CREW ACTION CAN BE TAKEN

GROUND:

GROUND OPERATIONS SAFING PROCEDURES CONTAIN SAFING SEQUENCE OF EVENTS FOR MAJOR LEAKS IN THE HYDROGEN SYSTEM.

- APPROVALS -

S&R ENGINEERING : W.P. MUSTY :/S/ W.P. MUSTY S&R ENGINEERING ITM : P. A. STENGER-NGUYEN :/S/ P.A. STENGER-NGUYEN DESIGN ENGINEERING :/S/ MIKE FISCHER : MIKE FISCHER :/S/ TIM REITH MPS SUBSYSTEM MGR. : TIM REITH MOD : BILL LANE :/S/ BILL LANE USA SAM : MIKE SNYDER :/S/ MIKE SNYDER USA ORBITER ELEMENT : SUZANNE LITTLE :/S/ SUZANNE LITTLE NASA SR&QA : ERICH BASS :/S/ ERICH BASS